MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): ജാതകം മാറിപ്പോയിട്ടുണ്ടോ എന്നുള്ള കാര്യം ഗവർണ്മെന്റ് പരിശോധിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Financial Secretary to Goverment*): അറിഞ്ഞുകൂടാ.

Appointment of Mr. Chacko as Superintendent, Stamp Manufactory.

423. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the pay, qualification and service of Mr. Chacko, who was recently appointed Superintendent of the Stamp Manufactory;

(*b*) the pay, qualification, service and names of the present Superintendents of the Account Office and the Huzur Office;

(*c*) why they ignored the claims of these Superintendents when the appointment was made; and

(*d*) whether it is a fact that a Superintendent of the Account Office once acted as Superintendent of the Stamp Manufactory, and, if so, who he is, and why his claims have been ignored this time?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) A Statement* containing the information required is laid on the table.

(*c*) The Stamp Manufactory is an independent institution not in any way connected with the Account Office or the Huzur Secretariat. There is no question, therefore of the claims of the Superintendents of the Account Office or of the Huzur Secretariat being ignored by the appointment of Mr. Chacko to the place.

(*d*) Yes. Mr. P. N. Achyutan Nair B. A., Acting Snperintendent, Account Office, for ten days from 5th Mithunam, 1098 to 14th Mithunam, 1098. As for his claims, *vide* answer to part (*c*).

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): What are the special qualifications of Mr. P. O. Chacko, who is now drawing Rs. 125, to be given the place of the Mint Superintendent over seventeen men drawing from Rs. 160 to Rs. 200? May I know what necessitated the Government to give him such a rapid promotion?

PRESIDENT: What is the salary of the appointment?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Rs. 150.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): But the scale is up to Rs. 200. So I wish to know the special reasons for giving him a promotion from Rs. 125 to Rs. 150 in that scale. There are several others equally qualified, and some are B. L's. May I point out —

PRESIDENT: Please do not point out anything. Ask for information or reasons.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I want to know the reason for giving promotion to Mr. P. O. Chacko B. A., drawing Rs. 125, as the

* *Vide* appendix VIII—page 1216.

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[Mr. R. Krishna Pillai.]

Mint Superintendent, overlooking the claims of several others who are Superintendents in the Huzur Cutcherry and the Account Office?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is contained in part (*c*). Moreover it is only a temporary appointment carrying a minimum salary of Rs. 150. Most of the Superintendents in the Huzur office are getting more than that.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Is it the practice that any man can be put in as Mint Superintendent?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Any qualified man whom the Government consider fit can be put in.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Government said that recruitment would be made from the Account Office or the Huzur Office.

PRESIDENT: You are making certain statements for which there is no warrant.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know whether Mr. Chacko is to be confirmed as the Mint Superintendent?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That will be considered when the place falls permanently vacant.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are they going to overlook the claims of others who are already in the service?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is nobody in the Mint whose claims could be overlooked.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Usually those who are in the Account Office and the Secretariat are promoted as Superintendents.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no such rule.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know what is the special qualification of Mr. Chacko?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He is a B. A; he has passed the Revenue Test; he has passed the Criminal Judicial Test (Higher) and he has put in long service.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): But are there not graduates in law qualified for that place?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There may be; I do not deny that.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are the Government not in a position to give me a definite answer as to why they promoted Mr. Chacko?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already answered that question.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Were there any other applicants for that place?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): None, at any rate, at that time.

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Appendix VIII.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 423.**

Statement showing the pay, qualification, service, etc., of the Superintendents of the Account Office and the Huzur Office and of Mr. Chacko who was recently appointed Superintendent of the Stamp Manufactory, Trivandrum.

Name.	Pay.	Qualification.	Service.		Remarks.	
			Years.	Months		
P. O. Chacko	125	B. A. & Criminal Higher	14	10	Stamp Manufactory.	
A. V. Narasimha Aiyar	200	Matriculate	25	3	On leave.	
M. Ramchandra Rao	180	B. A. & Criminal Higher	13	9	On other duty.	
E. Rama Variar	200	B. A. & Criminal Higher	20	6	Do.	
K. M. Mani	180	B. A.	22	0		Account Office
P. V. Paulose	180	B. A.	13	8		
P. S. Panchapakesa Rao	170	B. A.	18	2		
T. Joseph	160	B. A	16	11		
N. Govinda Pillai	150	F. A. & Two subjects in B. A.	17	6	Do.	
P. N. Achyutan Nair	105	B. A.	16	9	Acting.	
K. J. Cheriyan	105	B. A. & B. L.	15	3	Do.	
K. Gopala Pillai	80	B. A. & B. L.	15	2	Do.	
D. Gainneous	85	B. A. & B. L.	14	1	Do.	
S. Gnana Joshua	160	B. A	29	10	On other duty.	
V. Gopala Aiyangar	160	B. A.	28	2	"	
P. V. Samuel	160	B. A.	22	0		
K. Madhava Kurup	160	M. A.	10	10		
T. M. Raman Pillai	160	B. A.	23	2		Huzur.
P. Velu Pillai	160	B. A. & B. L.	17	6	Do.	
M. Velayudhan Pillai	160	B. A.	22	4	On special duty.	
K. Govinda Pillai	160	B. A.	16	10		
E. I. Mathew	105	B. A	22	0	Acting.	